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basis of qualifications and rates, fees, or other costs.

- (e) In the event only one individual responds to an advertised requirement, the contracting officer is authorized to negotiate the contract award. In this case, the individual must still meet the minimum qualifications of the requirement and the contracting officer must be able to make a determination that the price is fair and reasonable.
- (f) If a fair and reasonable price cannot be obtained from a qualified individual, the requirement should be canceled and acquired using procedures other than those set forth in this section.
- (g) The total amount paid to an individual in any year for health care services under a personal services contract shall not exceed the paycap in COMDTINST M4200.19 (series), Coast Guard Acquisition Procedures.
- (h) The contract may provide for the same per diem and travel expenses authorized for a Government employee, including actual transportation and

per diem in lieu of subsistence for travel between home or place of business and official duty station and only for travel outside the local area in support of the statement of work.

- (i) Coordinate benefits, taxes and maintenance of records with the appropriate office(s).
- (j) The contracting officer shall insure that contract funds are sufficient to cover all contingency items that may be cited in the statement of work for health care services.

PART 3038—FEDERAL SUPPLY SCHEDULE CONTRACTING [RE-SERVED]

PART 3039—ACQUISITION OF IN-FORMATION TECHNOLOGY [RE-SERVED]

PART 3040 [RESERVED]

PART 3041—ACQUISITION OF UTIL-ITY SERVICES [RESERVED]